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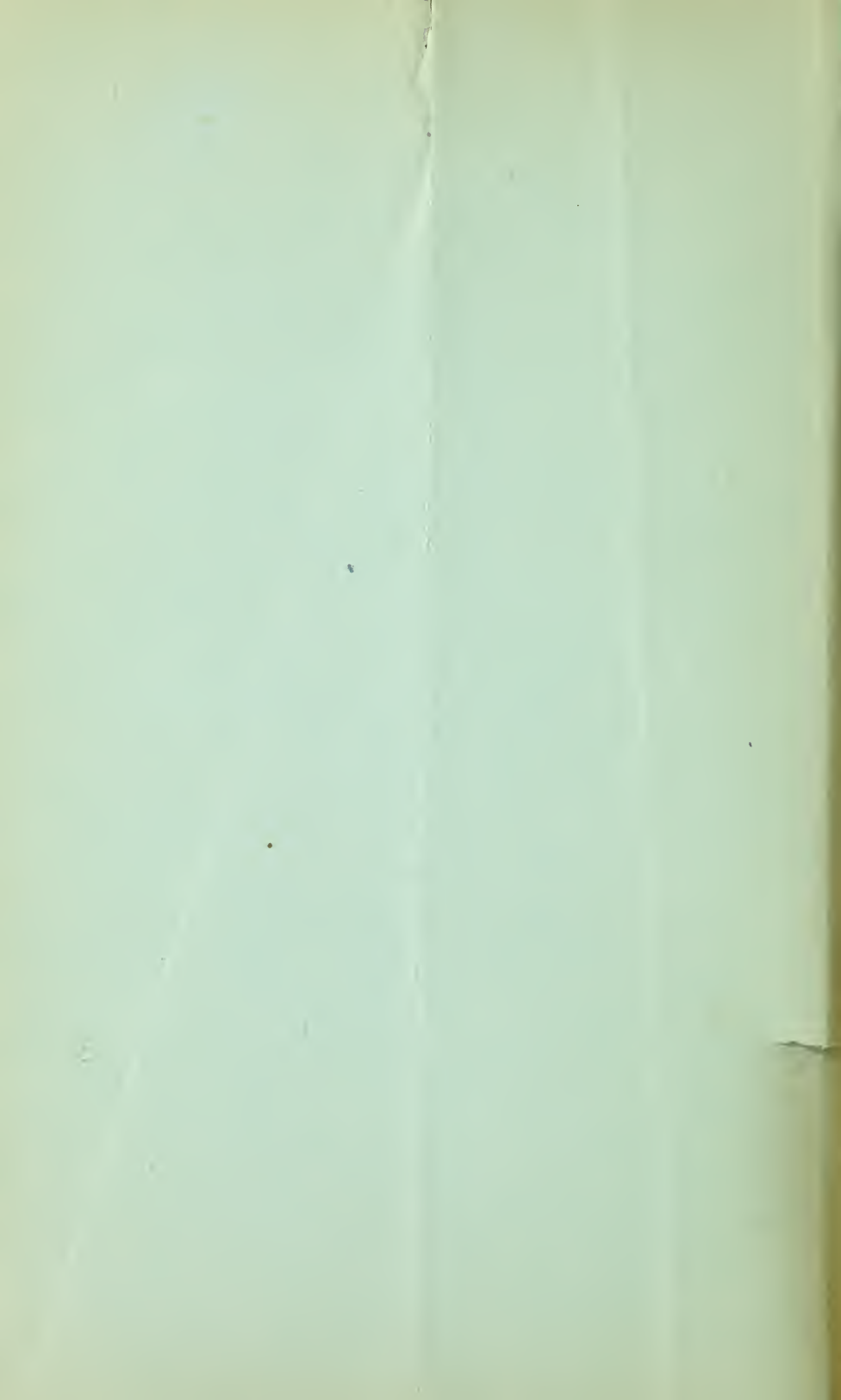
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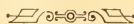
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REPORT.



The Selectmen herewith submit their annual report for the consideration of the town:

WM. M. STETSON, Collector.

In account with the Town of Fairhaven.

DR.

Amount of tax bills,	-	-	\$24,335	87
National Bank tax,	-	-	1,633	50
Interest,	-	-	4	01
<hr/>				\$25,973 38

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Uncollected taxes,	-	-	\$	596	78
Abatement for prompt pay,	-	-	1,394	01	
Collecting bank tax,	-	-	16	33	
Taxes remitted,	-	-	140	33	
County tax,	-	-	1,443	65	
Paid Eben Akin, Treasurer,	-	-	22,382	28	
<hr/>				\$25,973	38
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UNCOLLECTED TAXES, FEB. 19, 1884.

John J. Allen,	-	-	-	\$	2 00
Loring M. Austin,	-	-	-		5 81
Charles Ashley,	-	-	-		2 00
Thomas Ashley,	-	-	-		2 00
Thomas R. Brownell,	-	-	-		2 00
Jeremiah Bumpus,	-	-	-		2 00
Edward Besse,	-	-	-		2 00
James Chapman,	-	-	-		2 00
Nathl. S. Clark,	-	-	-		2 00
Robert Campbell,	-	-	-		2 00
Geo. H. Chase,	-	-	-		2 00
Mrs. Wm. Cotter,	-	-	-		3 30
Chas. A. Delano,	-	-	-		2 00
Geo. W. Doe,	-	-	-		6 12
Chas. F. Davis,	-	-	-		3 32
Herbert A. Damon,	-	-	-		2 00
Charles H. Davis,	-	-	-		2 00
John Dunham,	-	-	-		2 00
Humphrey Delano,	-	-	-		2 00
James Edes,	-	-	-		2 00
Gideon Eldredge,	-	-	-		2 00
Albert Eldredge,	-	-	-		2 00
David Frawley,	-	-	-		2 00
Isaac N. Francis,	-	-	-		2 00
Catherine C. Gelatt,	-	-	-		32 18
Frs. H. Hammond, Jr.,	-	-	-		2 00
John A. Gifford,	-	-	-		2 00
Walter T. Gammons,	-	-	-		13 55
Geo. H. Hathaway,	-	-	-		2 00
Calvin B. Hackett,	-	-	-		2 41
Ernest Hersom,	-	-	-		2 00
Leonard Hubert,	-	-	-		2 00
Charles A. Johnson,	-	-	-		19 00

Uncollected taxes, *continued* :

Levi M. Keene,	-	-	\$ 2 00
Albert Lewis,	-	-	2 00
Matthew M. Lomas,	-	-	8 66
Frank T. Lambert,	-	-	2 00
Mary L. Merrihew,	-	-	113 52
Phineas E. Merrihew,	-	-	2 00
Isaiah T. Mosher,	-	-	2 00
Geo. F. Mosher,	-	-	3 90
Jos. W. Morse,	-	-	2 00
Irving W. Merrihew,	-	-	2 00
Peter McGowan,	-	-	2 00
Israel Norris,	-	-	2 83
Wm. H. Norris,	-	-	2 00
James Paull,	-	-	2 00
Joseph Parks,	-	-	2 00
Alvan H. Payne,	-	-	2 00
Alvan H. Payne estate,	-	-	10 48
Allen Pease estate,	-	-	13 20
Henry N. Pierce,	-	-	2 82
Reuben P. Reed,	-	-	12 48
Geo. Reeves,	-	-	3 19
Geo. M. Ring,	-	-	4 97
Myra F. Ring,	-	-	11 30
Wm. L. Ricketson,	-	-	2 00
Ezekiel W. Reed,	-	-	4 56
David Ryder,	-	-	2 00
Wm. Randall,	-	-	2 00
Thomas Reynolds,	-	-	2 00
John Stoddard,	-	-	2 00
Saml. J. Sylvia,	-	-	2 00
Wm. T. Swift,	-	-	3 65
Wm. F. Stowell,	-	-	3 65
Franklin E. Standish,	-	-	2 00

Uncollected taxes, *continued* :

Lewis L. Sawin, - - -	\$ 3 65
Jos. Stowell, Jr., - - -	2 00
Nathl. S. Taber, - - -	36 53
John A. Tripp, - - -	14 62
James H. Tripp heirs, - - -	19 92
Hiram Tripp, - - -	2 00
Saml. P. Townsend, - - -	2 00
Herbert L. Tripp, - - -	2 00
Ephraim B. Tripp, - - -	2 00
Orrick S. Tilton, - - -	2 00
Wm. H. Taylor, - - -	2 00
Caleb Thomas, - - -	2 00
Charles B. Westgate, - - -	2 00
Richard A. West, - - -	30 96
Edw. West, - - -	2 00
Rodolphus West, - - -	10 66
Burgess Wilcox, Jr., - - -	2 33
Henry H. Wilcox, - - -	1 65
Weston H. Winslow, - - -	3 65
William Wade, - - -	2 00
Geo. W. Waterson, - - -	2 00
John J. Wilson, - - -	2 00
Joshua N. Davis, - - -	1 81
Lucinda C. Kempton, - - -	1 65
Frank T. Perry, - - -	45 54
John B. Sullivan, - - -	7 42
Gerard C. Tobey, - - -	15 84
George Baker, - - -	1 65

\$596 78

EBEN AKIN, Jr., Treasurer.

DR.

In account with the Town of Fairhaven.

He is charged with cash in the

treasury February 15, 1884,	-	\$ 1,557 87
Cash City of New Bedford,	-	21 00
Cash Town of Acushnet,	-	38 00
Cash City of New Bedford,	-	108 03
Cash fish licenses,	- -	26 00
Cash New Bedford Institution for Savings,	- - -	6,800 00
Cash S. H. Willcox, school books sold,	- - - -	40 00
Cash I. N. Babbitt, Jr.,	-	1 09
Cash George Jones, former Collector of Taxes,	- -	355 00
Cash William M. Stetson, Collector of Taxes,	- - -	22,382 28
Cash of L. M. Snow, liquor license,		1 00
Cash of Ebenezer Howland, auctioneer's license,	- -	2 00
Cash of N. J. Day, old lumber,	-	6 00
Cash of State Treasurer, corporation tax,	- - -	2,262 48
Cash of State Treasurer, national bank tax,	- - - -	1,723 74
Cash of State Treasurer, State and military aid,	- -	734 00
Cash of F. Bailey, for coal,	-	50
Cash of R. M. Simmons, for sand,		3 00
Cash of E. G. Grinnell, for old plank,	- - - -	2 23
Cash of G. B. Howes, attendance as witness,	- - -	1 20

Treasurer's report, *continued* :

By national bank tax paid,	-	\$1,208	98	
By one-quarter liquor license paid				
State Treasurer,	-	-	25	
By cash in the treasury,	-	-	1,493	54
				<u>\$37,340 97</u>

GEORGE JONES, Former Collector.

In account with the Town of Fairhaven.

FEBRUARY, 1884.	DR.			
Amount of uncollected Taxes,	-	\$454	08	
Interest collected,	-	-	9	94
				<u>\$464 02</u>
	CR.			
Amount remitted by assessors,	-	\$109	02	
Amount paid Eben Akin, Jr., Treas-				
urer,	-	-	355	00
				<u>\$464 02</u>

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.

The Commissioners of Highways herewith present their annual report and suggest that the sum of two thousand dollars be appropriated for the Highway Department for the ensuing year :

APPROPRIATIONS ON HIGHWAY ACCOUNT.

By appropriation,	-	-	\$2,500	00	
By appropriation, sidewalk William					
street,	-	-	150	00	
By appropriation, Green street,	-		75	00	
By cash, R. M. Simmons, sand,			3	00	
By cash, E. G. Grinnell, plank,	-		2	23	
					<u>\$2,730 22</u>

HIGHWAY EXPENDITURES.

Paid by the orders on the Treasurer :

Seth Alden,	-	-	\$48 49
R. H. Austin,	-	-	90 45
Arthur Austin,	-	-	1 50
Chas. T. Akin,	-	-	1 25
Jas. L. Butman,	-	-	9 46
Jas. Boyd,	-	-	5 40
John W. Baldwin,	-	-	1 50
Edwin Blossom,	-	-	12 50
I. N. Babbitt,	-	-	64
Edward McCabe,	-	-	13 43
Thos. Clark,	-	-	13 50
Luther Cole,	-	-	30 09
F. C. Cushman,	-	-	9 60
Chas. W. Coggeshall,	-	-	50
N. J. Day,	-	-	26 70
Wm. H. Dunham,	-	-	1 50
E. R. Dillingham,	-	-	11 25
Geo. R. Dean,	-	-	2 50
Wm. H. Dwelley,	-	-	7 00
Thos. Dawling,	-	-	9 15
Seth Delano,	-	-	7 00
Geo. Drew,	-	-	1 50
Chas. A. Delano,	-	-	1 90
Geo. Ellis,	-	-	29 96
Wm. C. Ford,	-	-	107 98
Roland Fish,	-	-	13 72
Fairhaven Iron Works,	-	-	5 40
Walter Gammons,	-	-	7 05
John Gifford,	-	-	5 10
John Gelett,	-	-	14 85
Daniel Gerstlauer,	-	-	5 25
Ann Godfrey,	-	-	5 60

Paid by orders on the Treasurer, *continued* :

Henry B. Gifford,	-	-	\$ 2 13
Abner Howard,	-	-	144 81
N. P. Hayes,	-	-	3 00
John F. Howard,	-	-	25 05
Wm. Haney,	-	-	27 15
Geo. H. Howland,	-	-	191 06
Martin Hammond,	-	-	6 00
J. W. L. Hillman,	-	-	15
Annie Hibbert,	-	-	7 90
Jas. Hammond,	-	-	12 45
John F. Hanna,	-	-	12 45
John M. Hathaway,	-	-	36 62
Wm. O. Harding,	-	-	5 85
Chas. F. Howard,	-	-	106 40
Albert M. Howard,	-	-	21 37
Jos. Hammond,	-	-	8 70
Henry T. Howard,	-	-	18 80
Arthur Hammond,	-	-	1 43
Jos. Jenney,	-	-	103 04
Andrew P. Jenney,	-	-	29 65
Edwin Jenney,	-	-	13 35
Manuel Joseph,	-	-	4 42
Albert Jenney,	-	-	13 20
Chas. Jenney,	-	-	4 70
Frederick Jenney,	-	-	4 40
Geo. W. King,	-	-	13 22
Wm. Lavare,	-	-	6 83
Jas. Lynch,	-	-	12 63
Chas. Morse,	-	-	49 36
Jos. Millett,	-	-	8 75
Louise Manter,	-	-	3 00
Seth Mitchell,	-	-	5 50
T. P. W. Perkins,	-	-	3 35

Paid by orders on the Treasurer, *continued* :

John C. Pease,	-	-	\$ 59 41
Robt. W. Pease,	-	-	12 75
John Quirk,	-	-	4 90
Thos. N. Reynolds,	-	-	5 48
Frederick D. Rounseville,	-	-	21 38
G. M. Ring,	-	-	11 70
Manuel Rose,	-	-	61 06
A. A. Royce,	-	-	11 78
Noble E. Reed,	-	-	1 95
F. A. Soule,	-	-	8 45
Chas. F. Stetson,	-	-	92 39
Chas. F. Stetson, Jr.,	-	-	4 50
Rufus Spooner,	-	-	24 45
Nelson Stevens,	-	-	15 90
Seth E. Stevens,	-	-	30 90
Andrew Spooner,	-	-	13 28
Aaron Savery,	-	-	22 62
Chas. D. Sherman,	-	-	10 99
A. C. Swain,	-	-	5 55
Thos. Seekel,	-	-	4 50
S. S. Swift,	-	-	1 48
Sylvanus Skiff,	-	-	2 10
Willis Skiff,	-	-	2 10
Wm. M. Stetson,	-	-	3 25
E. H. Sears,	-	-	67
John L. Seekel,	-	-	2 55
Stephen N. Townsend,	-	-	81 50
American Tack Co.,	-	-	21 34
Jas. P. Terry,	-	-	89 63
Tillinghast & Terry,	-	-	208 85
Samuel A. Tinkham,	-	-	48 23
Alexander Tripp,	-	-	16 25
Benjamin Terry,	-	-	6 00

Paid by orders on the Treasurer, *continued* :

Andrew Tripp,	-	-	\$	90
Ephraim Tripp,	-	-		1 80
Philip Westgate,	-	-		11 10
Oliver Wilcox,	-	-		30 38
Geo. Watterson,	-	-		2 63
Jas. Winslow,	-	-		50
Geo. H. Winchester,	-	-		2 70
Geo. Weaver,	-	-		9 60
A. L. Wheeler,	-	-		6 25
Perkins & Staples,	-			261 75
				<hr/> \$2,643 94

There has been used on the streets 1,600 tons of gravel.

THE VARIOUS HIGHWAYS RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING SUMS :

New Bedford bridge,	-	-	\$	264 74
Railing on Mill bridge,	-	-		128 13
Sewer on Spring street,	-	-		38 92
Sidewalk on Washington street,	-			86 38
North street,	-	-	-	38 00
North Main street,	-	-		74 85
Bridge street,	-	-	-	85 00
Adams street,	-	-	-	55 00
Privilege street,	-	-	-	130 00
Cowen street,	-	-	-	25 00
South Main street,	-	-	-	125 00
Water street,	-	-	-	18 00
Middle street,	-	-	-	20 00
Green street,	-	-	-	50 00
Fort street,	-	-	-	48 00
Church street,	-	-	-	40 00
Chestnut street,	-	-	-	30 00
Mulberry street,	-	-		31 24
Sconticut Neck,	-	-	-	162 05

Highways received the following sums, *continued* :

Centre street,	-	-	-	\$ 65 00
Spring street,	-	-	-	33 00
Walnut street,	-	-	-	30 00
Boston Hill,	-	-	-	20 00
Mattapoisett road,	-	-	-	429 43
New Boston road,	-	-	-	90 60
New road,	-	-	-	44 55
Long road,	-	-	-	14 00
Head of River road,	-	-	-	25 00
Washington street,	-	-	-	119 00
Weeden road,	-	-	-	3 40
Gelett,	-	-	-	9 90
Mill road,	-	-	-	17 00
Picking stones,	-	-	-	31 00
Perkins & Staples,	-	-	-	261 75
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				\$2,643 94

Respectfully submitted,

RUSSELL HATHAWAY,
CHARLES F. HOWARD,
ABNER HOWARD.

FUND FOR SUPPORT OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Balance on settlement,	-	-	\$ 393 18
Appropriations,	-	-	6,000 00
Cash for school book mutilated,	-		30
Cash State Treasurer, school fund,			182 06
Cash, dog tax,	-	-	302 32
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			\$6,877 86

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

Teachers' salaries,	-	-	\$4,538 25	
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Salaries of janitors,	-	-	\$364 25	
			<hr/>	\$364 25

FUEL FOR SCHOOLHOUSES.

— Haskell,	-	-	-	\$ 51 75
— Ashley,	-	-	-	24 97
Henry T. Howard,	-	-	-	20 00
C. D. Sherman,	-	-	-	2 25
R. Fish,	-	-	-	214 21
T. Corson,	-	-	-	5 50

 \$318 68

SCHOOL INCIDENTALS.

H. F. Wilde,	-	-	-	\$ 85
Lucia R. Allen,	-	-	-	2 50
C. C. Cundall,	-	-	-	44 15
A. F. Hodges, repairing clock, -				1 50
Mercury Publishing Co., -				3 00
I. N. Babbitt, Jr., supplies, -				27 77
C. D. Waldron, supplies, -				6 75
R. A. Packard, masonry, -				5 15
L. C. D. Stoddard, rent of lot, -				15 00
B. F. Cottelle, organs and pianos,				15 55
Briggs & Lawrence, -				7 98
Sylvanus Skiff, gravel, -				6 15
Charles Sherman, labor, -				2 02
Knight & Howland, printing, -				7 50
Maria Skiff, cleaning, -				9 50
D. J. Kane & Bro., supplies, -				1 00
A. D. Bourne, labor, -				39 45
James F. Jones, cleaning, -				7 42
Geo. M. Ring, cleaning, -				3 30
Abby Sherman, cleaning, -				3 00
Mrs. Wilson, cleaning, -				2 00
Taber Bros., painting, etc., -				45 20
Chas. F. Wing, carpet, -				1 75
H. J. Taylor, piano cloth, -				7 57
I. N. Babbitt, Jr., supplies, -				110 22

School incidentals, *continued* :

Charles F. Howard, gravel, -	\$13 00	
R. A. Dunham & Co., horse hire, -	6 25	
L. M. Snow, chemicals, -	23 91	
Paul Howland, Jr., - -	6 00	
Wm. L. Kelley, repairing clock,	1 25	
P. W. Record, labor, - -	5 25	
A. J. Barney, labor, - -	1 00	
John Wheeler, - - -	1 87	
Benj. Beetle, - - -	50	
Edwin Dews, - - -	6 00	
Bullock & Crenshaw, - -	6 60	
Harvey Wadsworth, repairs, -	15 99	
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SCHOOL BOOK AGENCY.

S. Hutchinson, - - -	\$655 16	
D. J. Kane & Bro., - -	85 54	
James F. Tripp, - - -	4 00	
Cowperthwaite & Co., -	7 56	
D. Appleton & Co., - -	22 50	
E. Boden, Jr., - - -	21 42	
Harper Bros., - - -	25 92	
Edwin Dews, - - -	10 98	
A. C. Stocking, - - -	38 76	
J. M. Lawton, Jr., - -	56 40	
J. L. Hammett, - - -	4 52	
Susan Wilcox, - - -	28 91	
	<hr/>	\$961 67
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		\$6,646 75

FUND FOR SUPPORT OF POOR.

Cash of Town of Acushnet,	-	\$	38	00
Cash of City of New Bedford,			108	03
Cash of City of New Bedford,	-		21	00
Cash Appropriations,	-		2,500	00
Cash F. Bailey, for coal,	-		50	
Cash transportation State paupers,			1	65
Cash C. F. Howard, exchanging cattle,	-		40	89
Cash A. D. Bourne, for hay,	-		13	09
Cash E. S. Whiting, produce,	-		143	10
Cash Town of Acushnet,	-		18	00
Cash produce sold from farm,	-		407	48
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SUPPORT OF POOR IN ALMSHOUSE.

J. W. L. Hillman, groceries,	-	\$	112	44
John Brehaut, labor,	-		240	00
Aaron Savery, labor,	-		5	90
Byron W. Hadley, keeper,	-		428	75
G. H. Ellis, labor,	-		3	00
R. A. Packard, masonry,	-		20	56
A. D. Bourne, repairs,	-		114	19
W. C. Vaughan, coffin,	-		10	00
T. P. W. Perkins, blacksmithing,	-		8	25
E. Anthony & Son, paper,	-		3	00
S. S. Paine & Bro., fertilizers,	-		120	00
D. Burgess, cow,	-		50	00
J. G. Ellis, groceries and grain,	-		150	80
G. W. King, blacksmithing,	-		16	80
H. H. Hathaway, glass and paint,	-		16	48
S. S. Swift & Co., groceries and grain,			167	33
Phineas White, pump,	-		21	05
D. B. King, steam cooker,	-		8	63

Support of poor in Almshouse, *continued* :

H. F. Wilde, groceries,	-	-	\$162 37
E. C. Taber, scow,	-	-	20 00
J. G. Ellis, groceries and grain,	-		74 19
Roland Fish, coal,	-	-	69 75
S. S. Swift, groceries and grain,	-		82 56
W. C. Vaughan, coffin,	-		10 00
G. W. King, blacksmithing,	-		5 57
T. P. W. Perkins, blacksmithing,			6 04
Parker & Haskell, coal,	-	-	32 00
I. N. Babbitt, Jr., repairs,	-		10 44
E. S. Whiting, meats, etc.,	-		150 34
Byron W. Hadley, supplies,	-		351 52
			<hr/> \$2,471 96

SUPPORT OF OUTSIDE POOR.

J. Alden,	-	-	-	\$69 87
S. Delano,	-	-		78 00
Mrs. Bennett,	-	-	-	3 25
L. Cook,	-	-	-	96 09
E. Jones,	-	-	-	22 00
M. Murray,	-	-	-	3 25
Mrs. Hutchins,	-	-	-	13 00
A. Wilcox,	-	-	-	67 08
E. Tripp,	-	-	-	6 75
F. Hammond,	-	-		3 94
Mrs. Sturtevant,	-	-	-	58 12
M. Hammond,	-	-		16 70
S. Fuller,	-	-	-	2 00
E. S. Baker,	-	-	-	26 00
S. Snow,	-	-	-	6 00
J. B. Sullivan,	-	-		12 35
A. Jenney,	-	-	-	18 00
City of New Bedford,		-		141 68

Support of outside poor, *continued* :

City of Taunton,	-	-	\$293 75	
Town of Sandwich,	-	-	11 25	
Town of Acushnet,	-	-	18 00	
Town of Hingham,	-	-	1 75	
City of Fall River,	-	-	16 25	
Town of Nantucket,	-	-	5 00	
Town of Middleboro,	-	-	9 75	
State Lunatic Hospital,	-	-	544 47	
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FUND FOR INCIDENTAL EXPENSES.

Balance on settlement,	-	-	\$1,164 69	
Appropriations,	-	-	1,000 00	
Appropriation for street roller,	-	-	450 00	
Appropriation Dr. Atwood's carriage,	-	-	24 40	
Appropriation sign posts,	-	-	50 00	
Appropriation salaries,	-	-	1,200 00	
Appropriation Fire Department,	-	-	1,500 00	
Appropriation lighting streets,	-	-	350 00	
Cash for fish licenses,	-	-	26 00	
Cash S. H. Wilcox, school books,	-	-	40 00	
Cash I. N. Babbitt, Jr.,	-	-	1 09	
Cash L. M. Snow, license,	-	-	1 00	
Cash Ebenezer Howland, license,	-	-	2 00	
Cash N. J. Day, old lumber,	-	-	6 00	
Cash Corporation tax,	-	-	2,262 48	
Cash National bank tax,	-	-	1,723 74	
Cash State military aid,	-	-	734 00	
Cash G. B. Howes, attendance at court,	-	-	1 20	

Incidental expenses, *continued* :

Cash Geo. W. King, old iron, -	\$	57	
Cash B. F. Beetle, a'c't Fire Department, - -		3	00
Cash F. R. F. Harrison, old junk,		5	79
Cash of abutters for concreting, -		157	30
Appropriations for debt, -		5,000	00
Cash N. B. Institution for Savings,		6,800	00
			<u>\$22,503 26</u>

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

American Tack Co., waste, -	\$	1	38
James L. Butman, hauling engine,		150	00
L. F. Waldron, engineer, -		187	50
Aaron Savery, repairing ladder, -		2	25
Luther Brownell, - -		1	87
C. D. Waldron, printing, -		3	75
Alvan Paine, labor, - -		1	60
N. B. Gas Light Co., coal, -		3	61
Greene & Wood, lumber, -		47	50
Wm. Maxfield, supplies, - -		6	17
Benj. F. Beetle, repairs, -		39	31
F. A. Sowle, repairs, - -		28	60
Edgar C. Taber, labor, -		16	50
Andrew J. Shooks, labor, -		1	70
Wood & Brightman, pipe, -			93
I. N. Babbitt, Jr., repairs, - -		1	42
R. H. Taber, candles, -			65
Parker & Haskell, coal, - -		11	50
Engineers, - - -		40	00
American Tack Co., - -		2	98
J. W. L. Hillman, supplies, -			45
Thos. N. Morse, labor, - -		1	35
Rufus A. Dunham & Co., -		4	00

Fire Department account, *continued* :

James Winslow, carting, - -	\$ 1 00
T. S. Corson, coal, - -	5 50
Charles G. Nye, labor, - -	1 00
Geo. W. King, blacksmithing,	10 36
Wood & Brightman, repairs, -	25
F. A. Soule, lumber, -	26 00
Aaron Savery, supplies, - -	13 51
T. M. Hart, twine, - -	24
F. R. F. Harrison, expenses to Boston,	2 30
T. S. Corson, coal, - -	11 00
I. N. Babbitt, Jr., supplies, -	7 60
James Boyd Sons, supplies, -	15 55
Pay roll Engine No. 5, - -	345 84
Pay roll Engine No. 3, -	198 61
Pay roll Hook and Ladder Co., -	60 00
Alfred Nye, supplies, -	6 67
DeWolf & Vincent, supplies, -	7 36
James P. Terry, stone, -	75
R. I. Coupling Co., supplies, -	14 00
Hatch & Co., express, -	1 45
T. S. Corson, coal, - -	5 50
Wm. F. Nye, naptha, -	3 50
Automatic Hose Relief, - -	80 32
Fairhaven Iron Works, -	4 80
Gardner & Southwick, - -	1 88
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	\$1,380 01

AMOUNT EXPENDED IN LIGHTING STREETS.

Geo. Reeves, lighting,	-	-	\$139 09	
Aaron Savery, labor,	-		2 72	
John C. Pease, lighting,	-	-	2 80	
Eldredge Bros., chimneys and oil,			31 74	
Wheeler Reflector Co.,	-		188 79	
John L. Seekel, labor,	-	-	15 40	
Taber Bros., repairs of lanterns,			3 32	
Herman H. Hathaway, bill of 1883,			6 30	
I. N. Babbitt, Jr., lantern,	-		4 59	
			<hr/>	\$394 75
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BRIDGE ACCOUNT.

Tillinghast & Terry, lumber,	-	\$13 79	
Taber Bros., repairing lamps,	-	4 60	
		<hr/>	\$18 39
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TOWN DEBT AND INTEREST.

Loan in anticipation of taxes,	-	\$6,800 00	
Interest on the same, -	-	107 93	
Notes (floating debt),	-	2,900 00	
Interest on the same,	-	95 30	
Bonds Fairhaven Bank,	-	2,000 00	
Interest on bonds,	-	1,610 00	
		<hr/>	\$13,513 23
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Present debt,	-	-	\$21,000 00
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GENERAL INCIDENTALS.

Harvey Tripp, auditor, - -	\$ 4 00
Geo. Atwood, repair of buggy,	24 40
Mercury Publishing Co., printing -	47 00
Job C. Tripp, moderator, -	10 00
Taxes refunded, 1883, - -	102 65
E. H. Sears, supplies watch-house,	1 87
C. D. Waldron, printing, etc., -	63 76
Tillinghast & Alden, insurance,	90 00
Wanton H. Day, watch-house, -	1 55
Arthur Washburn, watch-house,	4 00
Edmund Grinnell, roller, - -	322 60
P. W. Records, telephone, -	25
Robt. E. Leavitt, expenses, -	80
Robt. E. Leavitt, postage, -	58
John W. Mills, cleaning office, -	2 00
Q. F. Collins & Co., books, -	5 85
Wm. L. Wade, special police, -	4 50
John H. Mackie, Butman case,	15 00
H. A. Davis, weights and measures,	9 80
Aaron Savery, labor, -	2 18
Henry B. Pierce, supplies, -	1 40
Paul Howland, Jr., tax bills, -	4 00
C. W. Coggeshall, repairing pump,	2 62
John Allen estate, rent of pound,	4 00
Phenix Hall Association, rent, -	92 00
Fairbanks, Brown & Co., weights and measures, - -	13 00
Saml. Jenkins, recording, -	7 00
J. W. L. Hillman, supplies, -	32
Amos T. Pierce, care of clock, -	25 00
H. P. Crowell, shade trees, -	70 00
Zenas Winsor, repairing pump, -	1 99
J. D. Vaughn, beds, -	2 50

General Incidentals, *continued* :

William N. Alden, special police, -	\$ 3 00
B. F. Tripp, constable, -	35 00
John Hammond, special police, -	4 00
E. Anthony & Son, summons,	1 50
Arthur Washburn, special police,	9 00
E. H. Sears, sup. watch-house,	2 00
Weston C. Vaughan, ret. death, -	4 25
Geo. A. Briggs, Butman case,	15 00
A. B. Collins, Butman case, -	50 00
H. M. Knowlton, Butman case,	100 00
C. L. Swasey, Butman case, -	40 00
A. B. Collins, Butman case,	5 53
Witness fees, Butman case, -	62 42
L. M. Snow, telephone, -	61
John P. Ellis, wood, - -	2 50
I. N. Babbitt, Jr., pipe, -	1 40
I. N. Babbitt, Jr., weights and mea- sures, - - -	1 80
T. S. Corson, coal, - -	3 88
Town of Mattapoisett, town line,	15 75
W. M. Stetson, office supplies, -	5 44
J. T. Buttrick, special police,	2 25
S. Hutchinson, town officers, -	5 50
D. W. Dean, car fare and stamps,	2 00
Alfred Nye, supplies, - -	12 25
Eben Akin, Jr., justice fees, 1883-4,	13 51
Eben Akin, Jr., recorder, -	31 10
Taxes refunded, 1884, - -	12 85
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	\$1,379 16

BOARD OF HEALTH.

Walter R. Spooner, deputy sheriff, -	\$ 2 32
P. W. Records, deputy sheriff, -	3 26
C. D. Waldron, advertising, -	21 50
D. T. Devoll, attorney, -	3 00
R. A. Dunham & Co., horse hire, -	1 50
J. W. Nickerson, deputy sheriff, -	1 50

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TOWN SALARIES.

Hervey Tripp, school census, -	\$ 20 00
J. A. T. Eddy, assessor, -	109 11
Jos. Millett, assessor, -	62 50
Wm. M. Stetson, assessor, -	75 00
P. W. Records, constable, -	146 41
C. F. Howard, road commissioner,	23 00
Susan Wilcox, school books, -	33 01
Albert Collins, school com.,	70 28
Wm. M. Stetson, collector, -	200 00
Eben Akin, Jr., clerk and treasurer,	250 00
G. W. King, selectman, -	73 33
G. B. Howes, selectman, -	73 33
D. W. Dean, selectman, -	73 34
B. F. Tripp, constable, -	55 50
Abner Howard, road com., -	7 40
Russel Hathaway, road com.,	13 00
Geo. Atwood, town physician, -	100 00
Job. C. Tripp, school com., -	86 22
C. C. Cundall, school com., -	100 00
R. A. Dunham, register, -	10 80
Frs. D. P. Tappan, register, -	10 80
Henry T. Akin, register, -	9 80
Eben Akin, Jr., register, -	10 80

\$1,613 63

State aid, chap. 301,	-	\$495 00
Military aid, chap. 252,	-	644 00

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.

Total cash received,	-	-	\$37,340 97
			<u>\$37,340 97</u>

Paid as follows, viz.:

Incidental account,	-	\$19,471 25
Poor account,	-	4,016 26
Highway account,	-	2,643 94
School account,	-	6,646 75
State tax,	-	1,860 00
National bank tax,	-	1,208 98
State Treasurer, one-quarter liquor license,	-	25
		<u>\$35,847 43</u>

Balance cash in the treasury,	<u>\$1,493 54</u>
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Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL W. DEANE,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
GORHAM B. HOWES,	
GEORGE W. KING,	
	<i>of</i>
	<i>Fairhaven.</i>

We have examined the foregoing accounts and believe them to be correct.

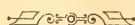
HERVEY TRIPP,	} <i>Auditors.</i>
G. E. DEAN,	

REPORT
OF THE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE
OF THE
TOWN OF FAIRHAVEN.
1884.

C. C. CUNDALL, Term Expires 1885.
A. B. COLLINS, Term Expires 1886.
JOB C. TRIPP, Term Expires 1887.

NEW BEDFORD, MASS. :
PAUL HOWLAND, JR., PRINTER AND ENGRAVER,
45 WILLIAM STREET.

REPORT.



TO THE CITIZENS OF FAIRHAVEN:

The Committee respectfully submits the following report of the condition of the schools and school property of the town.

The exterior of the *High School* building is in good repair and the outbuildings in a fair condition. The upper hall has been recurtained and the ceiling tinted. The entire east wall must soon be replastered. The halls and stairways should be sheathed. Many of the desks are marred beyond utility by names, dates and initials, scored by the knives and pens of many generations. Chemistry being taught by practical experiments, large additions have been made to the apparatus and laboratory. Future expenditures for this purpose can be limited to \$5.00 per term. The school has received, by the thoughtful generosity of Edmund Rodman, Esq., of New Bedford, a valuable collection of geological specimens which have been classified and arranged in a neat cabinet in the upper hall.

The principal is an enthusiast on the subject of educational methods and a specialist in certain branches taught. The recitations denote good scholarship. It is but fair to say that the order in the school, as it appears to a visitant, is admirable.

The former assistant was granted six months' leave of absence, and the position is filled by a recent graduate from the

advanced course of the Bridgewater Normal School. Her instruction is intelligent and thorough. The discipline of the class room is fair and improving. Order is enforced with a quiet dignity and persistence that will eventually win and hold the respect of the pupils.

The *Grammar School* is overcrowded. The methods of instruction are practical and sensible. The discipline of the school is perfect and the scholarship good.

Sixty-five Scholars are confined in the room of the *Centre Primary School* nominally under the charge of a single teacher. With energy and experience; understanding and applying the most improved methods; aided by a competent assistant each half-day; the teacher is yet overworked and the instruction consequently inadequate.

The *South Primary School* is ungraded. The methods discover a familiarity with modern ideas. The school is noisy, but orderly.

The *Spring Street School* is ungraded. There is a marked irregularity in attendance which adds to the work of the teacher and impairs the scholarship. The instruction, especially in the primary grades, bears a closer resemblance to the Quincy methods than any school in town. It is unnecessary, therefore, to add that the school is noisy, but orderly.

The building and outbuildings of the *Oxford Street School* are at present in fair condition. The room is, however, small and overcrowded. A new floor is needed. The room is well lighted and ventilated, but unequally heated. This results from the faulty construction of the building. The teacher, self-trained by several years' experience, has methods peculiarly her own. They are characterized by a disuse of text books in class exercise, and a thorough analysis of the pupils' knowledge of the subject matter rather than the text. The method of teaching geography is admirable.

The *Pease District School* is ungraded. There are nearly

twenty classes and about thirty scholars. The present teacher is an excellent disciplinarian, and is careful and painstaking in her instruction. She has had a long experience in ungraded schools. In the beginning of the Fall term the school was under the charge of a teacher who was popular with both parents and pupils. Her name being on the list of approved teachers for the New Bedford schools, in the middle of a term and week, she was required to leave the school and take a position in a New Bedford school. This requisition was preceded by no notice to the Committee and followed by no apology. To prevent further reprisals, we shall not, if it can be avoided, employ teachers who are accepted candidates for the New Bedford schools. During the delay incident to obtaining a teacher of the requisite experience, the school was conducted by substitutes. The Committee appreciates the value of a corps of substitute teachers. We desire that any lady qualifying herself for a teacher, or intending to make it a profession, shall put her name on our list as a substitute. She will obtain valuable experience, and a preference will be given her for a permanent position. We desire teachers residing in Fairhaven, because they will be less tempted to leave by increased salaries and will add local pride to professional ambition.

The *Sconticut Neck School* building needs enlarging. A new outbuilding for boy's should be built, and a shed provided for fuel now stacked in the entry. The room has been reseated, so that more space is obtained, and scholars take the light from the sides instead of the front. The interior is now tidy and cheerful. The desks are awkward and uncomfortable and should be replaced by those of the Grammar School on the occupancy of the Roger's Building. There is a sharp contrast between methods of the present teacher who is of Normal training and three years' experience, and those of her immediate predecessor, who was

enthusiastic and successful. The present teacher reduces the time devoted to music and rhetorical exercises to a minimum, compels scholars in the first instance to do unaided work and requires written recitations in history, spelling, language and descriptive geography. Although a severe tax upon the pupils, the Committee is satisfied the method will result in higher scholarship, and will watch the outcome with interest.

The *Nasketucket School* building and outbuildings are in good order. The room is well seated and lighted. The teacher, a recent Normal graduate, brings to her aid the best methods and an enthusiasm in her work which is resulting in an apparent excellent scholarship and discipline.

The *New Boston School* building could be improved in external appearance. It is well seated and lighted, but is poorly ventilated. The methods are advanced and intelligent. There is better scholarship than heretofore, and the order is excellent.

There are no schools which demand more attention from the Committee, or require more liberal support from the community, than those of the country districts. They must necessarily suffer from irregularity of attendance, confusion of many grades and the natural reluctance of trained teachers to accept their charge. The education of country children, who are needed for the home cares and work of the farm; who are compelled to traverse long distances over bad roads in all weather; is attendant with far more self-denial of parents and heroism of the children than is necessary to an attendance in a village school. Oftentimes necessarily limited, the education of country children should be the best possible. They should receive the instruction of trained and experienced teachers. After some disappointments, the Committee has the satisfaction of knowing that the country districts are now supplied with teachers of experience and profes-

sional training — teachers of as high a rank as any in town. We trust the parents will give them such encouragement and aid that their tenure of office may be as permanent as their good behavior.

The acceptance of the Roger's School Building should be a more direct advantage to the country districts than the incidental benefit of town improvement. The liberal-minded donor desires to benefit *all* the children of the town. In justice to him, as well as to the community, the Committee earnestly recommends that upon the acceptance of the building, and consequent sale of the school property in the village, the proceeds of such sale shall be devoted to the repairs and other immediate needs of such schools as are not provided for in the new building; and, if in a wise economy, a surplus remains, it shall be funded, the proceeds to be applied from year to year, in addition to the regular appropriations, to the needs of such schools.

The Committee has noticed a marked deficiency in spelling in all the schools. Spelling is not taught as thoroughly as it once was. Parents who are unable to assist their children in other studies are frequently called on to spell a word. The Committee has introduced Harrington's Speller and requires a daily drill in all the schools.

History is not as successfully taught as it might be. Temporarily memorizing names, dates and localities is destitute of mental nourishment and insufferably irksome. Memorizing should be reduced to a minimum. Teaching should be mainly by reading and oral dissertation. The same criticism and suggestion apply to descriptive geography. To this end, the Committee has changed the text book in history for the lower classes for one more simple and less detailed in its narrative; and has introduced, as collateral reading, historical and geographical readers.

Object teaching should be more largely employed in the

primary grades. In some schools, children below seven years of age, in whom memory, perception and observation are untrained, are taught nothing but reading. If the practical features of the kindergarten methods were first employed, reading, language and numbers could be far more readily taught. The Committee has introduced, during the past year, blocks, numeral frames, bundles of small rods, *fac similes* of current coin, measures, etc.; and hopes as such teaching is more generally adopted that, at a nominal cost, there can be gradually added all the necessary material for such work.

With the aid of the teachers, and the course for New Bedford schools and Mr. Harrington's admirable Manual, the Committee has thoroughly revised the course of studies for the schools. The grade of the Grammar School is one year behind that of New Bedford, Quincy, Worcester and Newton. In order that the schools may be worthy of the new building; that the best education shall be given where there is the greatest demand, (viz.: to the larger number in the lower grades), and that the High School may also be improved; the Committee proposes to raise the grade of the Grammar School so as to embrace the present studies of the first year of the Fairhaven High School.

Absorbing one-quarter of the appropriations for one-tenth of the scholars (only 40 per cent. of whom graduate, and those at 16 while the average age in Massachusetts is 18) — unfitted for college or even the Normal, Scientific or fitting schools; debarred from the Swain Free School through ignorance of French or German; — our High School is not doing its best work. The elevation of the grammar grade will now add a year's additional instruction to the High School in languages and physics, with the possible elective study of French. The plan has been submitted to former teachers of the school and pronounced practicable. It has

been adopted, after study and comparison, with long established courses in the majority of large towns in the State. The High School will now fit our young ladies for admission to Vassar and Smith Colleges without conditions, and possibly, our young men to any New England college not requiring Greek. The completion of this course will open to the High School graduate the Swain Free School, where an education equal to Wellesley and a Normal training superior to the State Normal Schools, may be obtained without cost and with the children retained at home.

Franklyn Delano, Esq., of New York, gave, during this last year, about 200 children's picture books for amusement and collateral reading in the schools. This thoughtful gift is of inestimable benefit in the primary grades.

Warren Delano, Esq., of New York, presented to the schools a set of unmounted maps, printed in Germany. They are of rare chorographical beauty and finish.

Under the Act of the last Legislature, text books and supplies are required to be furnished by the town to the pupils, free of cost.

In carrying out this law, we have adopted the following system: Applications for school books are made by the pupils to the teachers. The latter fill out requisitions on the School Book Agency in duplicate. These are countersigned by the Committee. The Agency covers the books, labels them with printed regulations as to their use and suitably stamps them. The Agency then charges and forwards the books to the teachers. The latter write upon the label the number of the book and the name of the scholar to whom it is loaned. The number and title are entered upon the catalogue, and upon a separate account each pupil is charged with the number of the book loaned him. At the end of each term all books are called in, and the teachers are

required to make a detailed report of books on hand, their condition, etc.

At the last annual meeting, \$6,000 was placed at the disposal of your Committee. With this amount it has conducted the schools, and, at the present time, has a balance in its hands of \$1,249.78.

It will be seen from the School Book Agency report that text books and supplies cost the town about \$1,000, which amount was paid from the town incidental account. In the future it will be wise for the town to make special appropriation for this purpose to the School Committee.

Your Committee, after careful consideration, finds that while in some respects the expenses for the coming year will be increased by the occupancy of the Roger's School Building, they will be lessened in other respects to an equal, and probably greater, amount. It will not, therefore, recommend any increase of appropriation for all purposes over the amount made last year.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BOOK AGENCY.

DR.

To cash on hand February 15, 1884,	-	-	\$	1	62
To books and supplies on hand February 15,					
1884,	-	-	-	191	11
To books and supplies purchased,	-	-	-	906	82
					<u>\$1,099 55</u>

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By books and supplies furnished schools,	-	-	\$	807	70
By books returned,	-	-	-	19	02
By books on hand,	-	-	-	226	62
By cash paid Town Treasurer,	-	-	-	40	00
By cash on hand,	-	-	-	6	21
					<u>\$1,099 55</u>

February 10, 1885.

S. H. WILCOX, *Agent.*

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Amount unexpended February 15, 1884,	-	\$	393	18
Appropriation for salaries, care, fuel and incidentals,	-	-	6,000	00
Income from State fund,	-	-	182	06
Income from County,	-	-	302	32
Cash for mutilated school books,	-	-	30	
				<u>\$6,877 86</u>

BILLS APPROVED.

Teachers' salaries,	-	-	-	\$	4,538	25
Fuel,	-	-	-	-	269	93
Care,	-	-	-	-	364	25
Incidentals,	-	-	-	-	455	65
						<u>\$5,628 08</u>

Balance unexpended February 15, 1885,

\$1,249 78

TABULAR STATEMENT OF THIRD TERM, 1884.

September 1st to December 19th.

SCHOOLS.	TEACHERS.	Wages per Month.	Number of Weeks.	Whole number Enrolled.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Per centage Attendance.	Per centage Absence.	Number of Tardy Marks.	Number not Absent once.
High,	{ F. W. Elliott, Clara A. Bourne, Amanda F. Sears,	\$100 40 50	16	53	49	46.3	94.5	5.5	6	13
Grammar,	{ Lucy F. Winchester, Ida E. Cundall, Lena A. Chubbuck,	30 14 30	15	105	97	88.5	91.2	8.8	71	11
Centre Primary,	{ Ida E. Cundall, Bessie E. Taber.	14 30	15	56	45.4	40.5	89.2	10.8	22	1
Green Street,	Ruth E. Sears,	30	15	46	42.7	40.4	94.6	5.4	121	9
Spring Street,	{ W. Bessie Nickerson and Sara A. Balcom,	30 30	15	54	44	38.9	88.4	11.6	49	3
Pease,	Carrie E. Jenny,	30	14	33	31	28	90.3	9.7	58	2
Oxford,	Sadie B. Clarke,	30	15	44	31.6	27.5	87	13	37	1
Nasketucket,	Alice P. Winchester,	28	15	24	19.4	17	87.6	12.4	110	1
New Boston,	Hattie O. Warren,	30	15	35	26.6	23	86.5	13.5	130	2
Scouticut Neck,		30	15	29	28.2	25.5	90.4	9.6	167	2

SUMMARY FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR, 1884.

SCHOOLS.	Number of		Number of Pupils		Average		Average		Per centage		Per centage		Number of		Amount paid for	
	Weeks.		Enrolled.		Membership.		Attendance.		Attendance.		Absence.		Tardy Marks.		Books and Stationery.	
High	40	70	44	41.1	93.4	6.6	116	\$218	60							
Grammar,	38	137	87.7	79.8	91	9	283	226	48							
Centre Primary,	35	79	53.6	48.2	90	10	56	46	44							
Green Street,	38	57	42.7	39.3	92	8	299	43	71							
Spring Street,	38	61	44.1	38.1	86.4	13.6	254	46	02							
Pease,	37	36	30.1	26.7	88.7	11.3	128	37	42							
Oxford,	38	54	29.9	26	87	13	135	54	63							
Naskatucket,	38	25	18.3	16	87.4	12.6	206	46	44							
New Boston,	38	39	24.4	21.1	86.5	13.5	259	39	33							
Sconticut Neck,	38	35	27.1	23.3	86	14	353	36	77							

ORDER OF TERMS FOR 1885.

TERMS	COMMENCE.	CLOSE.	LENGTH.
Summer.	Monday, April 13.	Friday, June 26.	11 weeks.
Fall.	Monday, September 7.	Friday, December 18.	15 weeks.
Winter.	Monday, Jan. 4, 1886.	Friday, March 26, 1886.	12 weeks.

The High School, having 40 weeks, will close one week later in the Summer and Fall terms.

Your Committee submits the following recommendations:

First. That the town appropriate the sum of \$5,000 for teachers' salaries, care and fuel.

Second. That the town appropriate the sum of \$500 for school incidentals.

Third. That the town appropriate the sum of \$500 for text books and stationery.

JOB C. TRIPP,
C. C. CUNDALL,
A. B. COLLINS.



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